

Calvin College graduates largest class

In a service of praise and thanksgiving to God, Calvin College in Grand Rapids, Mich., awarded degrees to 715 graduates on Saturday afternoon, May 21, 1977. The ceremony was witnessed by 4,500 relatives and friends of the graduates.

Dr. John Kromminga, President of Calvin Theological Seminary, gave the commencement address: Influence and Responsibility. He challenged the graduates to use their talents and abilities in working in the Kingdom of God. Dr. Anthony Diekema, President of Calvin College, used a Biblical text to challenge each of the several groups of graduates as he conferred the degrees.

Dr. Henry Stob and Mr. Jay Van Andel were presented Distinguished Alumni Awards. Dr. Stob, professor emeritus of philosophical and moral theology at Calvin Theological Seminary, was recognized for his contributions as a Christian scholar. Mr. Van Andel, chairman of the board of Amway Corporation, was honored for his outstanding record of voluntary service as a Christian businessman.

For the first time in the history of Calvin, degrees were conferred at the master's degree level. Four students received the Master of Arts in Teaching degree.

Parents, graduates, the president and the faculty concluded the ceremony by reading together a litany of praise to God. The litany concluded: "Now to Him who by the power at work within us is able to do far more abundantly than all we ask or think, to Him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations forever and ever. Amen."

The annual commencement exercises of Calvin Theological Seminary were held in the Calvin Fine Arts Center, also on May 21 at 1:30 p.m. Dr. William Pannell, Assistant Professor of Evangelism at Fuller Theological Seminary delivered the commencement address on the subject "Who Changed the Agenda?"

Forty-nine degrees were conferred. Eleven persons received the degree of Master of Theology, twenty-eight the degree of Master of Divinity, and seven the degree of Bachelor of Divinity. Three students were awarded the first Master of Church Education degrees ever to be conferred by the Seminary.

Honours and scholarship awards were listed in the commencement program. Alumni memorial awards went to Rudy Ouwehand and Ronald Vander Griend. The Calvin Seminary Graduate Studies Scholarship was awarded to Peter Mark Misselbrook of

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What could be better for Dutch language students than to receive a lesson in a place like Leiden?

College students study abroad

Twenty-two students left recently for a four-month study and travel tour of The Netherlands and Europe. In addition to the 16 students from Trinity College three students from Calvin College, two students from Dordt College and one from the University of Waterloo in Ontario are part of the group.

The program starts with an intensive two-week study on the Trinity College campus in Palos Heights, Ill. for an orientation to Dutch culture and language. Dr. Maarten Vrieze, professor of philosophy at Trinity, and Dr. William J. Stronks, associate professor of modern languages, lecture daily during this period on Dutch culture and language, emphasizing the Calvinistic heritage of which Trinity is a part.

In The Netherlands, in addition to the continuing of the Dutch culture and language courses, the students also take courses in Dutch art and architecture and modern European history, taught by Dutch instructors. Each student will also work on an independent study project in the field of his major study.

As in previous years, the students live in apartments in Noordwijk aan Zee, a small town along the sea coast with a half-hour commuting distance from the classrooms and libraries of the University of Leiden. The history of Leiden goes back to 1000 A.D., and today one can still admire in this university city an ancient castle, many canals, alleys, churches, facades from

houses built in past centuries, and art treasures from the past. Leiden is also a regional transportation centre with a good network of roads. The students are responsible for getting along in the community without having to resort to interpreters. For the two-week Easter vacation, the students planned to tour England, France, Germany or other countries, while lodging in youth hostels. Most of the students have relatives in Holland and they hope to visit them on weekends to become better acquainted with Dutch life.

Some of the reasons mentioned for being considered for this program were: "I have my roots in Holland and I have never been there. I'm interested in history and my own heritage in The Netherlands." "The program will hopefully broaden my outlook on Dutch life in particular and in general foster a more sympathetic approach to other cultures and lifestyles." "I'm applying as I think it is a very important part of a liberal arts education to get to know other people and countries."

The program is under the direction of Dr. William J. Stronks, associate professor of modern languages at Trinity Christian College. The 1977 Netherlands program is one of three transcultural alternatives offered by Trinity Christian College. Students may also spend a semester in Mexico, or take a metropolitan studies course, which includes a semester of living in an urban setting.

FOCUS

Countries welcome Wycliffe

AFRICA (EP)— The government of Chad and the University of Nairobi in Kenya have signed agreements with the Summer Institute of Linguistics (Wycliffe Bible Translators' academic arm), allowing members to begin linguistic and translation work.

In Kenya, SIL will develop a regional study centre to serve translators in that country and in neighboring nations. Dr. John Bendor-Samuel, Wycliffe's area director for Africa, said much scripture translation has already been done in Kenya, but it is "probably still needed in three or four languages."

International conference

CALGARY, ALTA. (EP)— The 80th annual General Council of Christian and Missionary Alliance expects a registration of 2,000 pastors, missionaries and lay delegates for church business for more than a million constituents in 45 nations.

The Alliance sponsors 1,512 churches in North America and 6,590 churches overseas where the Christian and Missionary Alliance is growing at a rate of three new churches each week.

Women priests a "Non-issue"

SYRACUSE, (N.Y.)— Jesuit theologian Kenneth Baker, who edits the Homiletic and Pastoral Review predicts in an editorial that public interest in the question of ordaining women to the Roman Catholic priesthood "will quickly subside, just as it did in the question of optional celibacy for priests — another sensational and so-called burning issue only five years ago.

Dissidents may be released

NOTTINGHAM, ENGLAND (EP)— All 41 dissident Soviet Baptists now in prison for their religious activities are likely to be released by the end of this year, a Baptist leader told the annual Assembly here of the Baptist Union of Great Britain and Ireland. They would include Pastor Georgi Vins.

The report was made by the Rev. Alexei Bichkov, 48, who is based in Moscow as secretary of the All Union Council of Evangelical Christian Baptists and is also president of the European Baptist Union. His announcement, which came as a surprise was greeted with spontaneous applause from the British delegates. And he said he had not spoken "without foundation."

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Hope Centre ministry

VIEWPOINT

Christian living

A meaningful worship service

A vital part in the life of a Christian is his attendance and participation in the Sunday worship services. He must not only be there in body but also must live there in spirit, thus in participation.

Recently I had occasion to visit one of the most beautiful churches in the Christian Reformed denomination, located in Grand Rapids. The huge church boasts stained glass windows, central airconditioning (which did not work that Sunday), and a beautifully robed choir.

The liturgy seemed flawless, as though it were rehearsed. The choir's procession was as rhythmic as a grandfather's clock. The organist's selections were carefully chosen and properly printed in the bulletin.

There were a number of instances where I thought their precision was overdone yet it added to the intent of the service ... to worship the Lord. And that intent seems to be lost in many of our church services. Not enough effort is put into the service by some of us in the pew.

The church service has meant "the sermon". That is the way it has been for years ... a place to go and to listen. We are often afraid of involvement and prefer to keep our faith to ourselves.

But the worship services are so important to our Christian living. Sundays are days for proverbial "spiritual food". But it is not good enough to simply heap God's Word upon our plates in generous portions and let it lay there. We must make an effort to accept that food by digging into it with our knives and forks.

That is what Sunday worship is about. We are often content to have God's Word placed before it ... for which we give thanks, but then we must also make an effort to respond to

that spiritual food. We must eagerly and willingly dig into that food.

I suppose that the sermon could be considered the "meal" of the service, with the organ music, singing and offering being the utensils used to make the meal more meaningful.

Church music adds so much to a God-glorifying worship service and the congregational singing is supposed to be our praise to Him. I say "supposed to be" because we often lack enthusiasm in our singing. The words are often mumbled in a non-caring manner.

There is an increased emphasis on congregational participation in worship services. We sing. That is congregational participation. We also recite the Apostles' Creed in some churches. We also have responsive readings in some churches and new forms in the backs of our Psalter Hymnals also reflect greater congregational participation.

This is good and it should be welcomed. It must of course be organized. That is why we have a liturgy. The worship services should not be a messy shambles but it should be a place of quiet reverence.

Some churches have seen it fit to establish a music committee, consisting of the organists, choir director and a few other members. They look at the role of music in the church and that is indeed welcome news.

Do your Sunday services truly reflect an hour of "worship"? Are you involved in singing your heart out, in participating in the service as well as eagerly receiving God's Word from the pulpit? Are you there to praise the Lord with all your heart? That is the worship service and it is part of the foundation of living a Christian life.

Keith Knight.

BY KEITH KNIGHT

NEWS VIEWS

Informative advertising

MONTREAL — The Parti Quebecois government in Quebec has indicated it will take a tough stand on broadcast advertising, especially in television. It will be tough for advertisers but might be welcome news for the consumer in front of the television.

Pierre Meunier is associate deputy minister of consumer affairs and director of the Consumer Protection Bureau and he recently addressed a gathering of the Quebec advertising community.

Mr. Meunier says he would like to see television commercials concentrated into special 10- to 15- minute periods instead of spreading them throughout programming. That would be nice but not imperative, from my point of view.

He would like to have the use of children and children's voices banned from commercials, in addition to eliminating all commercials directed to children. That would mean no more commercials for dolls or toys or No More Tears shampoo.

Perhaps the biggest proposal to the advertising community is this: Mr. Meunier wants to see an increase in the "information" element in commercials. What he means is this: the every day practice of advertising has been to associate products with other values — love, virility, status, freedom, maternal love — "values utilized for strictly commercial ends."

He wants to see more emphasis placed on products' characteristics such as price, value, quality, ingredients, taste, nutritional value, safety — about 14 different aspects.

Studies have shown that almost half of the existing television commercials mention only one characteristic, 16 per cent mentioned two, and only one per cent mentioned three or more. The

rest mentioned none.

That, in Mr. Meunier's view, is what advertising is supposed to be all about ... and I agree. Advertising should be informative and Mr. Meunier should be commended for his tough stand, at least on this point of increasing the "information" element in commercials.

It has not been made law yet. Mr. Meunier has encouraged the advertisers and television stations to implement these changes themselves. "Self-regulation", he calls it. If they will not do it, there is a strong possibility of direct government intervention to force advertising agencies and advertisers "to give precise, factual and objective information about the products or services being advertised."

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BY DR. LOUIS PRAAMSMA

THE WORLD AROUND US

While I am writing these words (May 26) nobody knows how the drama of Bovensmilde will end.

The name of the village sounds so familiar; it evokes the image of a peaceful community in Drenthe.

Of course the whole picture has changed in our age of industrialization and modern technique but who could have imagined the big change which transformed this place of peace into a place of terror, playing children into crying children: "We want to live, we want to live!"

It all happened overnight and we see at the background the grim faces of the Moluccans, the former inhabitants of Ambon and the other isles of the South Moluccas.

What about these Moluccans? The tragedy of the whole story is they are a group of young extremists belonging to a people which once was very faithful to the Dutch government, a people which as one nation embraced the Christian faith long before other groups of Indonesians did the same.

Ambon, also called Amboina, was reached by the famous Roman Catholic missionary Xavier in 1546. He baptized several thousands of its inhabitants.

After the conquest of this island by

the Dutchmen in 1605 many ministers worked here who did a splendid work. The names of Sebastiaan Danckaerts and Justius Heurnius are still very well-known.

In the 19th century this work was continued by several other missionaries. One of them, Jozef C. Kam, has been called "the apostle of the Moluccans" and in the course of the century the islands were, with some small exceptions, totally christianized.

After the Second World War there were about 200,000 members of the Moluccan Church, 40,000 in Ambon and the others in other islands. Because the Moluccans, especially the Ambonese, were very faithful to the Dutch government and because they were very intrepid soldiers they often served in Indonesia, that in that time was called the Dutch East Indies, in the army, or as policemen and (lower) officials. In other words, they often got a privileged position. For that reason the other Indonesians did not like them too much. During the Second World War 3,500 of them fought for the Dutch against the Japanese.

When after that war Sukarno made a revolution the Ambonese fought again in favor of the restoration of the authority of the Dutch government.

We all know that this did not happen, but when the Dutch were forced to recognize the sovereignty of Indonesia they made the condition that the new republic would be a federation. In other words, the Moluccans would retain a certain kind of independence.

But pretty soon Sukarno sent his troops to the islands who defeated the Ambonese because they had modern arms. Many Moluccans resigned to this new situation, but at least 12,000 of them did not want to bow their heads and were evacuated to The Netherlands.

They had lived there as strangers in a strange country. Of course they have been well received by several of their fellow Christians. They have been supported by the government; they have found work and they have married and got children. A group of Dutchmen formed an association in favor of the Moluccan cause with the name "Faithful throughout the ages" ("Door de eeuwen trouw"), a prominent member of which was Prof. S. U. Zuidema.

But they lived in an unsuitable climate. They could not and would not assimilate with the Dutchmen. They lived in their own areas and they dreamed their dream of returning to a

free and independent homeland. All the time they had the opportunity to return, because the Indonesian government promised them a homecoming without reprisals.

But in the first place they did not trust the promises of this government and in the second place they wanted their complete freedom. We should know something about their background in order to understand the drama of Bovensmilde, preceded by the drama of Beilen.

The younger generation of the Moluccans in Holland, after a quarter of a century, feels frustrated. It hears about all the kidnappings and takings of hostages which are the order of the day. It does not want to listen to the voice of the older generation any more. It takes the law in its own hands and it does so in a ruthless manner. To understand everything is not to forgive everything. It will be very hard for many Dutchmen to forgive these terrorists who did not shrink from playing with the lives of children to reach their purpose. And what does that purpose mean? The Dutch government has no power in and over Indonesia.

Yet it is good to understand and to pray for the Moluccans.

Terror in Holland

LETTERS

Velikovsky reconsidered

Dear Sir:

With thanks for Dr. Clarence Menninga's extensive review on the writings of Dr. Velikovsky, may I be permitted to make a few remarks?

There is no hurry to make clearly defined statements about the work of Dr. Velikovsky and perhaps Dr. Menninga is too hasty in his judgement that Dr. Velikovsky takes a catastrophist view of the history of peoples and of the physical world and that his hypothesis is used as an argument in defense of catastrophism.

Which, then, according to Dr. Menninga appeals to Christians.

Being just an ordinary person, not disciplined in any particular discipline, as Dr. Menninga probably is in his geology speciality, it is perhaps easier to judge Velikovsky's writings and what is written about it, to notice that there is a learned man who without any specific hypothesis started to look at history, became fascinated by what he found, then searched the basis upon which many accepted hypothesis was founded and discovered that many of them rested upon very shaky grounds.

Having read the Pensée papers from the beginning, I wondered when reading about the scientific mafia, how much that same mafia which suppressed the writings of Velikovsky, (and what a shame to the scientific world) had to do with the textbook issue in California where the so-called fundamentalist almost had the Bible story of Creation printed in the textbooks of the public schools, as a possible alternate over against evolution which is freely proclaimed.

What did we or our American brothers do? Did they help the fundamentalist in this reasonable request? Or did we meekly stay out of the controversy, not being too sure that what the fundamentalist belief is our belief also?

Too easy we dismiss any new approach. We, too, are steeped in the Voltaire-Newtonian philosophy of the neo-Aristotelian world view, with its gulf between the heavens, where all is perfect order and perpetual peace; and this lower world of ours, where disorder and strife are not unknown.

In that order, there was place for Darwin's ideas of evolution, with peace and order in the universe from time immeasurable and to eternity they could spin their schemes of evolution and do away with God Who told us in His Word that He made it all, He spoke and it was very good.

It is not this age of Newton, which has come to an end in the scientific world, not only by Velikovsky, but also through the space age and other

observations, which have shown that the universe is not all perfect order and perpetual peace.

National Geographic, May 1974, has an interesting article on this under the title "The Incredible Universe", by Kenneth F. Weaver and James P. Blair.

Exciting new information is pouring forth in ceaseless torrents, shattering our ideas about the Universe. Nothing much is left of Copernicus' limited universe with the earth moving around the sun, yes, it still does, and in some way the sun is still moving around the earth, but both are but a speck in God's mighty handywork.

But part of one of the billions of galaxies visible through modern observatories and what they see and conceive speaks of tremendous forces of exploding and contracting stars, planets and galaxies. Perhaps some order, but peacefully, perpetual? What a tremendous field for our Christian scientist to ex-

plore, to study and interpret for us.

If as Dr. Menninga holds as possible, that Velikovsky is correct in his view of the ancient history and thereby perhaps makes all the books written on Egyptian history into prospects for the paper drives, he should also be more charitable about his other views on what history from the Bible and other sources really has to tell us.

In "Velikovsky Reconsidered", published by the Pensée people, Warner Books, 1976 edition, we read about the so-called greenhouse effect which Dr. Menninga is using to explain the heat of Venus. Dr. Menninga apparently did not know that such a greenhouse has now been discounted. Moreover, it has been found that the dark side of Venus is actually giving off more heat than the side on which the sun shines. There must be a heat source on the planet, and perhaps Velikovsky's assumption is still cor-

rect.

From what I have read about Dr. Velikovsky's trust in age measurements by the carbon-14 method it appears that he is correct in stating that one has to assume that the world has always been as it is today to accept all the data that is published, while it is well known that many data which does not support such a hypothesis is dismissed as incorrect.

That Velikovsky is wrong about the time of death of the frozen Mammoths I wouldn't doubt, neither will I argue about the 39,000 years mentioned by Dr. Menninga, what we want to know is a Christian believable explanation, as to how they died so suddenly with grass still in their mouth,

and how they are preserved so perfectly.

The world as it is today has no explanation and certainly not if as Dr. Menninga implies, they did not all die at the same time.

If not in a single event, what kind of world did they live in to die such death?

And all the other evidences of animals and human beings destroyed together, are they but inventions of the human mind?

One wonders why these facts in stone and in bone have not attracted the attention of Christian scientists, or do they not want to see them, because they do not fit in their hypothesis?

D. Brinkman
Bowmanville, Ont.

A home for Cochrane

Dear Sir:

It is with thankfulness in our hearts to our Heavenly Father for His guidance and leading Hand that we send this progress report to you about Talitha Christian Homes Inc. in Cochrane, Ont. A 73 acre lot has been bought for \$15,000 and the vendor has donated \$1,500 back for this project. The people are Roman Catholic but feel the need for this home in this area.

A two-storey component home has been ordered from Royal Homes in Wingham with the delivery date set at the end of June at which time we hope to have the basement dug, foundation in and cement blocks up. Several families from the Barrie CRC have offered to come and spend their holiday here and help part-time to put the home up.

Two men from Royal Homes will be here also for three days to put up the shell. We will need more volunteers to help

with siding, carpentry, completing dry wall, painting, trimming, landscaping etc. The cost of the home will be approximately \$50,000, well, septic bed included plus free labor. The total amount received in donations and membership fees so far amounted to \$8,000 which helped toward the purchasing of the lot, for which we are thankful.

The house parents, Jack and Margaret Schregardus from Mount Hope, Ont., will be moving here in the middle of June and Jack will be able to help with and supervising the completing of the home.

We hereby ask for your prayers and financial support, and volunteer help will be gratefully appreciated. If you have any enquiries please write us.

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Dear Society

You stress originality
then expect us to follow,
You suppress the emotions
and leave our hearts hollow.
You are an empty drain
Sucking us all up!

You frown on immorality,
allow abortions to be,
You suggest mercy killing
it's like abortion, you see.
You are an empty drain
Sucking away our morals!

You train environmentalists
but continue to pollute,
You raise men on a pedestal
and expect us to salute.
You are an empty drain
sucking up our ideas!

You appraise beauty
allowing 'ugly' to suffer,
You use our finances
to jail the Rougher.
You are an empty drain
Sucking up our values!

You and all you pretense
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Dedication of new church in Kemptville, Ontario

May 12 was a memorable day for the church of Kempville, Ont. After many years of preparation and planning a new church was dedicated. The old building had become inadequate and was in such a dilapidated state that it had to be abandoned before the arrival of the winter. Services were held in the auditorium of the Agricultural College, while the Salvation Army provided accomodation for catechism classes and youth meetings.

But finally the great day had come. Mr. Albert Dyks, chairman of the building committee had spent much time in the daily supervision of our build-

ing program. The whole congregation had been involved, young people and children as well.

At the dedication, delegates of the neighboring churches were present as well as local clergy. The former pastor, Rev. John Lamsma, had come from Grand Rapids for this special occasion. A musical group, the Gospel Brothers, from Ottawa sang and played their guitars. Mrs. Sandra Vandenberg sang at the beginning of the service "Bless this House". A choir, formed by members of the church sang some spiritual songs. Scripture lessons were read by young people of the church,

Jeff Ritskes and Mary Van Bokhorst.

The present minister, Rev. John C. Derksen preached the sermon on Revelation 21:22 about the New Jerusalem that had no temple. He pointed out that places of worship belong to the present age. They are not needed for the Lord, but for us who are inclined to turn away from Him. Nowadays churches are mostly regarded as meeting places for people to have social gatherings. This was not considered when God ordered Moses to build a tabernacle. It is the encounter with God that is essential, that we may praise Him and hear His Word. The church is for

sinner inside and outside the church community seeking God's forgiving grace and strength to cope with the problems of life.

At the beginning of the service a word of welcome was spoken by Elder Frank Ritskes. Elder Albert Dyks received the keys of the new church from the builder K.H. Norenberg and the architect G.L. Heeringa from Stoney Creek. The vice president, elders Ranger De Vries answered the speakers. The fourth elder, the clerk Mr. Gerard Vedder, who also had been deeply involved in building the new church, could not be present since he was hospitalized.

The church, which has a seating capacity of 240, was overfilled. Everybody agreed that it was a wonderful evening and we were all thankful to the Lord for this new place of worship. The church is located on Clothier St. West, one mile from the centre.

CHURCH NEWS

Christian Reformed

Called

-to Owen Sound, Ont., Rev. S.A. Van Daalen of Forest, Ont.
- to Edmonton (Glad Tidings), Alta., Rev. John Visser of Barrhead-Westlock, Alta.

Declined

- to Wyoming, Ont., Rev. Jelle Tuininga of Smithers, B.C.

New clerk

Chatham (Grace), Ont. — Bernie Kruisselbrink, 55 Alexandra Ave., Chatham, Ont. N7M 1Y2. Phone (519)354-6367.

New secretary of deacons

Chatham (Grace), Ont. — John Rumble, 114 Daleview Cres., Chatham, Ont., N7M 5W1. Phone (519)352-3557.

Granted leave

Rev. James Van der Schaaf, Agassiz B.C., has been granted a leave of absence, at his request, for clinical pastoral education and chaplain intern, at Bethesda Hospital Association, Denver, Col., as of September, 1977.

Christian Reformed Conference Grounds 1977 Program

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Special days:

Independence Day — Monday, July 4, 2:30 p.m. — Wygr Singers; 7:30 p.m. — Hymn Sing: Fritz Boersma, Director; Marty Boersma, soloist; Conet Triggs, soloist; Jan De Vries, Piano; John Vander Meer, Organ.

Ladies' Day — Wednesday, July 20. Meetings at 10:00 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. Sheri Haan, speaker — "Children of the Father"; Rhea Zandee, Soloist.

Chicken Barbeque — Saturday, July 30, 4:30-6:30 p.m. 7:30 p.m. — Herald's Quartet.

Labor Day — Monday, September 5. 2:30 p.m. — Sherwood Singers; 7:30 p.m. — Brouwer Travelogue

Sunday Service. July 3 — Rev. George Kroeze; Sept. 4 — Dr. Paul Bremer

Sunday Vespers Service. 5:00 p.m. — each Sunday in July and August

Saturday, July 2. Film — "Stranger in My Forest"

Conference weeks:

Meetings: 10:00 a.m. Tuesday through Friday; 8:00 p.m. Wednesday and Friday

July 5-8 — National Union of Christian Schools; Arnie Snoeyink, Speaker — "Normal Christian Life" Wed. Film — "Creation"; Music: Jody Knol; Speaker: Henry Triezenberg. Fri. — Heritage Singing Men

July 12-15 — CRWRC. Karen De Vos, Speaker — "Studies in Galations". Wed. Ivan & Joy De Kam — Social Work in Manila. Fri. Jerry & Mary Johnson

July 18-22. Family Conference Week: Dr. Paul Bremer — "Parables of Jesus". Wed. Film — "Little Apostle". Fri. New Life Quartet

July 26-29 — Pine Rest: Rev. Ralph Heynen — "Creative Lessons from Bible Characters". Wed. Dr. Richard Houskamp; Fri. Musical J's and Seinens

August 2-5: Back to God Hour — Rev. Richard Venema — "Living What We Believe". Wed. — TV Ministry with Jerry Vreeman. Fri. — Jerry Vreeman; Sat. — Film — "Happiness is"

August 9-12. World Home Bible League — Dr. Anthony Hoekema — "Four Major Cults". Tues.-Fri. — WHBL (Nightly Meetings). Fri. Lamont Village Singers

August 16-19 — Dordt College — Dr. James De Jonge: "The Fruit of the Spirit". Wed. Perspectives on Dordt College, Film & Music. Fri. Bob Hobbs & Sounds of Praise

August 23-26 — Family Conference Week — Rev. Henry Boekhoven: "Christian Joy". Wed. Film — "Hobo". Fri. Counselor's Quartet. Sat. Film — "My Son, My Son"

August 30-September 2 — Youth Week. Don Tamminga, Youth Leader — II Timothy; Jim Ritsema, Adult Leader; Wed. Ebenezer; Fri. Ed Drake, Guitarist; Sat. Film — "Return From The Sea"

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Calendar of Events

- June 12 St. Thomas, Ont. CRC celebrates 25th anniversary with picnic and variety evening on June 11 and special church services on June 12
- June 15 Hollandse Dag in Moorefield at 10 a.m.
- Jun 14-16 Camp with purpose. Information meetings on Lakewood Christian Conference Grounds near Sarnia, Ont., with director Brian Lise and a slide-tape presentation on the camp ministry will be held at the following locations: June 14 — Hamilton (Immanuel), Mohawk Rd., 8 p.m.; June 15 — Brampton (Second), Steeles Ave., Brampton, 8 p.m.; June 16 — Toronto (Willowdale), Hilda Ave., Willowdale, 8 p.m.
- June 18 Grunniger Picnic at Rockwood, Ont.
- Sept. 10 Annual Youth Evangelism Services (YES) conference, Brantford, Ont. CRC.
- Sept. 17 20th Annual Convention of the Sunday School Teachers Association in Bowmanville

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Anne Flutten

Our Nova Scotia neighbors are hard to beat for longevity. In our community there have been quite a few people who lived well into their nineties. One of these men still enjoys occasional card parties with a good friend, and lives at home with his son's family.

This last week I ran into another good prospect for a long life. Starr Porter celebrated his 50th wedding anniversary, not from the safe comfort of a senior citizens' home, but at his own house. He and his wife welcomed a hundred and twenty guests during the afternoon and evening. The next day Mr. Porter went to his brother's farm to give a hand with the sheepshearing.

He was giving a repeat performance of the day after his wedding. ("In those days we didn't have honeymoons!") Instead of the old sheep shears he used an electric clipper, but the skill was still there. He admits that the job is hard on the back; which won't deter him from helping to deprive 130 sheep of their fur coats. Not bad at all, for a man of 71.

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Kings County Christian School is all set for next Fall. As decided a year ago, grade eight will be added, for a total of nine grades. A fourth teacher has been hired. In the summer of 1976 two rooms had been added, one of which has been used for industrial arts and science. This will now become a regular classroom.

Now in its second year of operation, the school is a hive of activity. Three or four mothers pitch in regularly as teacher's helpers and for grade 7 home economics. Two of the men teach industrial arts on Friday afternoons. So far it's all carpentry: bookshelves, birdhouses, and rocking chairs for toddlers.

The general public is still fairly apathetic about the first NUCS Christian school in their midst. During a recent public relations effort at a nearby shopping mall, it was evident that many people know something about the school, but with plenty of misconceptions. However, there are those parents, including some with young children, who stop and ask serious questions about the possibilities of this school.

Another float is planned for the Apple Blossom parade in June.

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The provincial government has again tried its hand in a business enterprise. Magi, a crown corporation, decided last year to buy and operate a cruise ship from Halifax to the Caribbean. The port could use a boost, and it was thought there was a need for this sort of floating hotel.

Mercator One has been running for only a short time, but already the economic realities are catching up with it. Bookings are much lighter than expected — there just may not be a mass market for a luxury liner to southern waters.

With an investment of \$6.5 million, Magi is reluctant to cut the venture short, but those distant rumblings of taxpayers and politicians are becoming increasingly audible. Even the premier has suggested that continued losses will not be acceptable. Opposition members, both PC and NDP, are laying a heavy load of blame at the Liberal government's door. Suggestions are being made which would limit the authority of crown corporations to invest so heavily without a thorough public investigation.

When additional funds for Magi were voted, opposition members sang in the legislature: "Gerry (Regan), row your boat ashore!" It makes a mere voter wonder how much of the fuss is just plain politics.

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Annapolis Royal is where Canada's modern history began. As early as 1604, the first British came here to establish a settlement. Situated on Nova Scotia's western shore, the town has a natural harbor where the waters of the Bay of Fundy channel into the Annapolis River.

Two historic forts catch the interest of tourists each year: Fort Anne, with its acres of rolling green lawn; and Port Royal, also known as the Habitation. Here we find the earliest white roots of our country displayed in the reconstructed buildings. You'd expect that Canada would cherish this place as a hallowed shrine.

Not so. Lack of industry and employment has forced the town's population to trickle away over the years. By now, Annapolis Royal is in a severe economic crisis, on the verge of reverting to village status. No federal help is forthcoming for the place which gave Canada its first grist mill, first shipbuilding plant, first Christian service, and numerous other firsts.

Now the provincial government has announced a prototype tidal power project for the Annapolis River causeway. It is hoped this will be the beginning of a much needed boost.

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Calvin graduates

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England. Dean Deppe was awarded the Calvin Seminary Graduate Fellowship, and Daniel Brink received the Diamond Jubilee Scholarship. The Talen Scholarship was awarded to Cornelis Venema, and Gary Bekker earned the American Bible Society Award.

Music for the occasion was provided by Dr. John Hamersma of Calvin College and the Seminary choir under the direction of Mark Lucas. President John H. Kromminga conferred the degrees; Mr. Norman De Graaf, vice president of the board of trustees, read Scripture and offered prayer, and Dr. Richard R. De Ridder formally presented the candidates for the reception of the degrees.

In a move unexpected by the recipient, the degree of Master of Divinity was awarded to the Rev. Vernon Geurkink who is completing a three-year term of service as coordinator of field education at the seminary. Rev. Geurkink has accepted a call to be co-pastor of the Eastern Avenue Christian Reformed Church of Grand Rapids.

Finding purpose in life

by Mary VanderVennen,
Christian Counseling Services
in Toronto.

Dr. Freeman, a Christian Professor of Philosophy at the University of Rhode Island, has written a valuable little book entitled, **Know Your Self**, (Craig Press), which is available at Speelman's Bookhouse.

Though not specifically stated, the book seems to arise out of his contacts with students of many religious beliefs and to be aimed at students (people) who find no meaning, no coherent principle in the world or in their lives. Carefully he elaborates the fact that the meaning a person assigns to his own life reflects the meaning or lack of meaning he finds in the universe. He identifies some necessary building blocks in creating a unified self. He then presents clearly his Christian beliefs and shows the consequences of these beliefs for a concept of the self.

This is not an evangelistic tract in the ordinary sense of that term. Yet I think it could be effectively used for people who find the Campus Life or "I found It" approach too unsophisticated, or for people who have naively embraced the gospel without becoming aware of the radical world-and-life-view change that it involves. Dr. Freeman shows convincingly that the Christian Faith, along with providing answers to life's ultimate questions, is intellectually respectable. In a time of increasing technical sophistication and scientific expertise, that is a message we need to remember if we are to reach our educated and secular world.

by Rev. Ralph Heynen

PASTORAL COUNSELLING

The personal touch

Our world has become a very impersonal place and I think of this particularly in view of the fact that our youth today is brought face-to-face with new problems and obstacles; problems that we didn't face when we were that age. Conditions over which we have little control make growing up much more difficult than a generation ago.

There is the mounting population in our communities; schools have become large institutions of learning; the stores, the business places, have become extremely impersonal compared to the small corner grocery store or the hardware store where the owner knew practically everyone in the community. Today people look at you askance and they don't quite trust you because no one knows the other person and everybody is viewed with a bit of suspicion, especially if you try to pay by means of a check. Young people often search in vain for someone that understands them or that is willing to deal with them on a person-to-person level. We've lost the personal touch.

The home setting is really the ideal place for children to discuss their problems. Parents often feel that they are too busy to sit down to talk things over with their children. Some parents try to carry out the adage, "Children should be seen and not heard", and as a result they neither see them nor hear them. Such an attitude is not healthy for a youngster that is filled with a need of self-expression. We need the art of listening to the younger generation and if a child finds that he can talk things over with his parents in confidence, he'll continue to do this also in his teenage years and even when he gets a bit older. But when a child comes home from school and he says, "I just hate school, I hate my teacher", the natural impulse for parents is to say, "You shouldn't talk that way, it's wrong and sinful to say that, you should respect your teacher." You

other, where the whole community is involved in bringing up a child. But that's not the way it is. Our schools have become large, impersonal systems, too busy with regular routine of school life and there are so many incidentals that they lose sight of one of the biggest and the most important factors and that is that children are to learn inter-personal relationships, that they are to develop a personality.

It's generally not too difficult to teach the average or above average youngsters, but what are we doing about those who have learning problems, those who are shy or those who are overly aggressive and for that matter, what are we doing for those who are exceptionally bright? Our teachers don't have the time to deal with personality problems because they can't get in touch with them personally. The result of it often becomes that youngsters grow up without a real personal touch either from parents or from teachers.

In the larger churches, it is impossible for a pastor to reach all of his children, young people, and all of the members of his church. It has become a physical impossibility to conduct the various Bible classes, to do the calling on the sick, to take care of the shut-ins, to be personally involved with the members of the church. The fact is that many churches are just too large and even the church has become an impersonal type of thing where people don't really learn to know the pastor, the leaders, but where we pass each other on Sunday morning when we go to church.

Within the home we ought to set aside time when we can talk with our children and when our children can talk with us. We can set aside time; we may have to turn off our televisions a bit more, we may not be able to spend as much time with the daily paper, we may not be able to go to the golf course quite as often. But the point is to take time, to make time, when people can share within the family.

It may be only possible a few times a week, but we must keep alive that relationship of talking, of sharing with each other, of telling each other about our own lives so that children and parents can meet in a common way and feel the touch of each other's hand.

I think this is also true within the church. Many of our pastors have special training in the area of counseling, of dealing with people on a one-to-one basis and I would feel that in every church, every high school youngster, should have an opportunity to sit down and talk with the pastor or one of the leaders of the church at least once a year. This is so very, very important! If children get the impression only that a minister is a preacher, and unfortunately today this is what so many people talk about; the pastor has become a preacher and they see him only in his Sunday coat on the pulpit preaching to people. They don't see the real man. They don't get to know what it is that he really does most of the week. They see him when they get sick, break a leg or something like this, but for the rest of the time they lose that warm personal touch of one person with another, and this becomes so important.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK: Jesus tells us, "A good man out of the good treasure of his heart bringeth forth that which is good; an evil man out of the evil treasure of his heart bringeth forth evil. Out of the abundance of the heart, the mouth speaketh."

may quiet the youngster but it would be far better to find out why on that particular day this boy didn't like his teacher or what happened in school that made him dislike the school. To develop a wholesome relationship doesn't mean that we pamper our children, it doesn't mean that we have to be pals with our children. We are fathers and mothers, but at the same time we must be guides and counselors.

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Pepermunt en drop

Het zal ieder, die geregeld in de kerk komt, en dan speciaal in de Gereformeerde kerk, wel meer dan eens zijn opgevallen, dat er een groot verschil bestaat tussen het volume van geluiden in het ene deel van de godsdienst-oefening en het andere deel, tussen de stilte enerzijds en het gebrek aan stilte en, als gevolg van dit laatste, het gebrek aan eerbied anderzijds.

Dat begint al bij de aanvang en het gaat zo de hele dienst door. Tijdens gebed en preek is het meestal wel rustig. Maar let nu eens op: zodra het Amen heeft geklonken, hetzij na het gebed of na de preek, dan hoor je ineens: zzzzzzzzz door de kerk gaan.

Voor na het zingen voordat de preek begint, dan is het soms een leven van jewelste. Het is of de mensen er rekening mee houden, dat ze nu een tijdlang muisstil moeten zijn en daarom nog gauw allerlei bezigheden moeten verrichten, zoals bv.: peper-munt te voorschijn halen, het papiertje eraf halen (in vroeger jaren kregen we ze los, je kocht ze per ons of per half pond in de winkel, tegenwoordig komen ze meestal in rollen, meneer King is van al die Gereformeerde kerk-gangers rijk geworden), zakdoeken worden uit zak of tasje gehaald, en er wordt gedaan wat je meestal met een zakdoek doet (behalve tranen afdrogen), en verder worden vele kelen geschraapt en er wordt veel gekucht.

In verband met dit laatste vraag ik me wel eens af: waarom houden we toch zo stevig vast aan dat pepermunt eten in de kerk? Waarom eten we geen drop? Me dunkt, dat deze laatste lekkernij toch een veel beter middel is tegen een kriebelende keel dan peper-munten. Maar ja, het zal wel wezen omdat je met een pepermunt in je mond de slaap beter uit je ogen kunt houden. Dus gaan we maar door met pepermunt eten. Peperpunten, die ik meer dan eens, en niet ten onrechte, heb horen betitelen met de naam: kerkpillen!

Maar waar ik nu op wilde komen is dit: het moet voor een voorganger - het doet er niet toe, of het nu een predikant, kandidaat, oefenaar of ouderling is - toch wel erg hinderlijk zijn, als hij wil beginnen met z'n preek, en hij moet eerst nog een poosje wachten totdat het rumoer wat is bedaard. Ik heb het tenminste wel eens meege-maakt dat de dominee begon en dat er net weer een salvo van geluiden door de kerk klonk, zodat hij, nadat hij de eerste volzin half had uitgesproken, ophield en een poosje niets zei. Om dan, als het stil was geworden, weer van voren af aan te beginnen.

Jaren geleden schreef ie-

mand hierover eens een aardig gedichtje en dat geeft nu precies weer hoe een dominee zich soms moet voelen - soms, hoor, gelukkig niet altijd - als er veel verkouden mensen in de kerk zitten, en dat met veel

luidruchtigheid moet laten merken.

Ik hoop van harte dat dit gedicht geen betrekking heeft op het kerkgebouw waar u 's zondags komt, geachte lezer! Hier is het dan:

Het bleke najaarslicht valt door het kerkraam binnen.

't Is alles stil, straks gaat de dienst beginnen, en rustig zit de schare neer, opdat het Woord in eerbied en ontzag wordt aangehoord.

En in ons woont het ernstige verlangen een vaak verbeurde zegen te ontvangen.

Zo wachten wij, deez' met een hunkrend hart, en gene blij een ander weer in smart, op 't Woord, het heilig Levenswoord

Zwijg, o mijn ziele, luister!

Och, arme werkelijkheid, die mij te spreken geeft, en wonderzwaar bedekt, wat in de harten leeft, 'k zal scherp noch bitter wezen:

Nauw sterft het Votum weg, en is Gods Wet gelezen, of een zwaar geloei van hoestend stemgedruis breekt onbedaarlijk los in 's Heren bedehuis.

De dienaar zwijgt. D'orkaan gaat wat bedaren, waarop hij verder gaat, om spoedig te ontwaren, dat zijn geluid verdrinkt,

wijl vrijelijk gekucht wordt en geproest,

als gaf 't getoeter lucht aan d'arme lijdens, die tesamen een hoest aanval op dominee ondernamen.

Het gebed brengt voor een wijle rust,

slecht wat verspreide klanken vermengen zich vrijelijk met het bidden en het danken,

totdat het Amen als een blij signaal

u meldt, nu hoesten tegelijk, nu blaffen w'allemaal!

En kostelijk blij wordt van 't verlof genoten,

wij snuiten onze neus, de kleinen en de groten,

en dominee wacht. Straks gaat het weer bedaren,

maar weer beginnen ook. Hij moet, van 't wisselend geluid verzeld,

Gods Woord verklaren.

Toegepast Christendom

Dat is een mooie titel voor een referaat op een conferentie die gehouden wordt ter verdieping van het geloof. Vooral omdat er op conferenties altijd veel woorden worden gesproken. Als men na een conferentie de tapes nog eens laat afdraaien, dan ben je geneigd te zeggen: wat een woordenstroom!

Woorden moeten door daden gevolgd worden. In het Hebreeuws heb je voor woord en daad hetzelfde woord. Als God spreekt gebeurt er ook meteen wat. Woord en daad zijn een. Als je iemand iets wil laten doen voor de Heer, dat moet je het hem voorleven.

Ik herinner me nog een vergadering van een schoolvereniging waar het bestuur voor de grote moeilijkheid stond om het project van de te bouwen Christelijke school voor de leden te verdedigen. De voorzitter zei: wij als bestuursleden zijn maar gewone mensen, ik verdien \$50 per week, maar wij als bestuursleden hebben besloten om u te laten zien wat we bedoelen. Wij geven als bestuur van zes leden met elkaar \$1150 voor die Christelijke school, die er komen moet. Toen wisten wij als leden waar we aan toe waren, we konden het voorstel slechts beamen. En de helevereniging voelde dat ze achter het bestuur behoorde te staan. En de school werd gebouwd.

En nu nog dieper: als u wilt dat een ander een Christen wordt, dan moet u die ander ook laten zien wat het betekent om een Christen te zijn. Het woord moet luiden: kom ga met ons en doe als wij!

Hoe komt het dat er over het algemeen zo weinig van ons uitgaat? Jesaja zegt: het zijn uw zonden. De zonde dat wij te weinig concreet bidden. De zonde dat we te weinig nagaan wat we gisteren verkeerd gedaan hebben, om het vandaag te herstellen. De zonde dat we weigeren om even te telefoneren om iets goed te maken, zodat een vriendschap die bedreigd wordt, gered wordt.

Waarom blijven we zo vaak in het vage hangen en durven niet concreet te zijn? Om de eenvoudige reden dat we bang zijn om er aan te beginnen. Omdat we weten dat er zoveel te doen is. We weten al bij voorbaat dat die kast dan open gaat, en die, en dan al de laden. We zijn ook zo gauw met onze mond, we zeggen al b voordat we goed a gezegd hebben.

Op een vergadering zitten we te praten over gezinsverhoudingen en we weten prima hoe het hoort, maar thuis hadden we net een ruzie gehad die je deed vragen: waar is het toegepaste christendom? We laten de conflicten zitten, we leven er over heen, in plaats van ze biddend op te lossen. Wat we nodig hebben in onze tijd zijn eenvoudige Christenen, die het woord van de Schrift aanvaarden, dat woord kennen, en er naar trachten te leven. Een mens zijn, kind van de hemelse Vader, Hem liefhebben boven alles, en met Hem leven van dag tot dag, naar Micha 6:8: Hij heeft u bekend gemaakt o, mens wat goed is! en wat eist de Heer van u dan recht te doen en weldadigheid lief te hebben en ootmoedig te wandelen met uw God? Het gewoon zijn, het blijde, het leven in Gods verbond, het opgaan in het dienen van de Heer, is zo vaak ver te zoeken.

En toch, dit is wat de wereld nodig heeft en moet zien: toegepast Christendom. Wanneer wij ons eerlijk zouden zuiveren van het kwaad, door de kracht van Christus de zonde zouden afleggen, naar Romeinen 8 zouden leven, dan zouden we veel meer kunnen doen voor de naaste. dan zou de gemeenschap opbloeien zonder dat er veel georganiseerd behoefde te worden.

Wanneer alle energie die nu opgebruikt wordt om bewust of onbewust onze zonden, onze onopgeloste conflicten, onze angst in stand te houden zou vrijkomen dan zouden we verbaasd staan over de nieuwe contacten, het nieuwe werk, de nieuwe liefdesverhoudingen die zouden opbloeien. Wij zouden handen en voeten te kort komen om onze liefde voor elkaar te beleven en samen in dienst van het komende koninkrijk van Jezus Christus te staan.

Toegepast Christendom hebben we nodig, in de kerk, in ons huis, in ons werk, overal waar we zijn en waar we leven, iets zeggen of iets doen. En zeggen en doen moeten met elkaar kloppen!

J. VanHarmelen

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Met het vliegend zingen vliegt tegelijk alle zegen van de avond voor hem weg, jammer, jammer. Hoe kan een meester zich zo vergissen! Als Henk dit eens hoorde! Henk heeft verstand van muziek en zou het beslist afkeuren; hij moet Teunis eens nauwkeurig voorspelen hoe men de psalmen pleegt te zingen.

De samenzang doet Verbeek wat kalmeren; met zijn zware, zuivere stem zingt hij, om zichzelf los te maken van ergernissen, om zich geheel in de Here te verdiepen: "Zijn Naam moet eeuwig eer ontvangen, men love Hem, vroeg en spa; De wereld hoor' en volg' mijn zangen met Amen! Amen! na." Een van

zijn vele lievelingsliederen — woorden die hem rijk en gelukkig maken, ondanks alles.

In gedachten loopt hij naar huis. Peter ontmoet vriendjes met wie hij terug wil en als vanzelf raakt Klaartje bij het groepje. Verbeek ziet dat er geen Kobus bij is, dus zal hij het zo laten. Hij heeft zoveel te overdenken, dat hij niet de kortste weg naar huis neemt, maar een omweg. Het is donker, maar de lantaarns geven voldoende licht en er zijn weinig mensen op straat.

Aan het einde van de dorpsstraat staat hij stil, zijn handen op de leuning van de smalle brug. De lucht is zwart, maar de sterren schitteren en het heldere maanlicht verlicht de wijde velden in een onwezenlijke gloed. Hij denkt aan deze avond, aan het gesprokene — als alle mensen eens wisten hoe rijk het geloof in Christus is, als alle mensen zich eens bekeerden van de zondige levensweg.

Uit het donker komen een aantal schimmige mensen op de brug toe; hij herkent hen spoedig als een viertal jongelui van het dorp. Wat luideruchtig komen ze op hem toe. "Goienavond!"

"Ook goienavond!" groet Verbeek terug. Ze zijn nogal vrolijk, misschien een biertje gedronken dat hen slecht bekomt.

"Ook in de kroeg geweest?" vraagt er een.

"Nee," striemt Verbeek, "daar hoor ik niet thuis."

Ze schieten in een luide lach. "Hoor hem es! Hij is te goed voor de kroeg! Daar horen wij dan wel, wat zit die kerel

hoog te paard, zeg!"

"Weinee," schatert een ander, "hij is te fijn, hij hoort bij de fijnen en die zijn te goed voor de kroeg — dat denken ze! Zitten met een vrome bek in de kerk te galmen — hangen de vrome uit, kijken op ons neer!"

Met ingehouden drift hoort Verbeek de schaterende spot, maar hij klemt zijn lippen vast op elkaar: hij zal die lui niet bestraffen of tot rede proberen te brengen, dit zou paarden voor de zwijnen zijn.

"Ja," schreeuwt een derde, "daarom istie naar de fijnste kerk gegaan, weten jullie dat wel? De grote kerk was niet fijn genoeg en nou heeft ie een engelhaarkerk!"

Met een ruk keert Verbeek zich op, loopt met grote zware stappen de dorpsstraat weer in, maar dan ineens voelt hij een duw tegen zijn rug, nog een tegen zijn schouders — er wordt iets tegen hem aangeketst, dat aan zijn jas blijft hangen. Hij keert zich om en ziet het viertal weglopen. Dan ziet hij dat er modder tegen hem aankleeft, dat zijn schouders en rug geraakt zijn door stenen — Hij voelt het bloed wegtrekken uit zijn gezicht, krampachtig zoekt hij steun aan een hekje —

Zo diep is hij nog nooit in zijn ziel gekwetst — is dit zijn dorp? Is dat de tijd die tegen de twintigste eeuw aanloopt? Zijn dikke eeltige handen strijken over zijn ogen. De smaad — nu in daden omgezet! Dit zal hij nooit vergeten.

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Als een vijand, die een week op de loer heeft gelegen, is de koorts op het tengere lichaampje van Marijtje ge-

sprongen en stijgt tot over de veertig graden. Het kind ligt vreemd genoeg met koude rillingen en het mondje is droog. Ze transpireert niet, wat Verbeek een gunstig teken acht: bij een kind is de koorts snel hoog en de volgende dag spelen ze weer kerngezond buiten; hij wacht met het halen van de dokter. Alles kost geld.

Maar Marijtje speelt de volgende dag niet buiten; ze ijlt in wilde dromen en moeder kent geen rust, voor haar man eindelijk z'n klompen aantrekt en de werkplaats verlaat om de dokter te roepen.

"Waarom niet eerder geroepen?" verwijt de dokter, "het kind is ernstig ziek!"

Het slaat door de ouders heen, als hij typhus constateert en nauwgezette maatregelen voorschrijft. Een week zal het nog duren voor de ziekte het hoogtepunt bereikt en kan daarna nog een week voortwoeden — dan moet de koorts zakken.

Ja, dan moet de koorts zakken naar menselijke berekening, maar Verbeek en zijn vrouw zien dat de koorts het tengere lichaampje blijft teisteren...

Het worden dagen van ondraaglijke spanning. Moeder zit dag en nacht bij het kleine houten ledikant, afgewisseld door Klaartje, die niet meer in betrekking is bij het domineesgezin.

Verbeek staat elke morgen in de werkplaats, maar de blijdschap van de arbeid is volkomen zoek; hij werkt met krampachtige blik en soms beven zijn handen.

Er moet gewerkt worden: deze ziekte vraagt geld en Klaartje verdient nu niets — maar het is of geld nu niet het belangrijkste is. Het zwaarste voor Verbeek is zijn zoeken naar God —

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Notes of Thanks

KNIP: We sincerely thank our relatives and friends for the many good wishes, cards, flowers and gifts on the occasion of our 50th wedding anniversary. Above all we give thanks to the Lord for all His blessings in the years past. Frits and Roelfie Knip, R.R.#2, Lucan, Ont.

TJOELKER: Mr. & Mrs. George Tjoelker would like to thank everyone for the cards, flowers and best wishes in regard to their recent 45th wedding anniversary. Our many friends made it an unforgettable occasion. Again, thank you very much.

SCHENK: We wish to thank all our children, grandchildren, relatives and friends for the best wishes, cards, flowers and gifts received on the occasion of our 50th wedding anniversary.

Mr. & Mrs. Peter Schenk, 89 Sheldon Ave., Apt. 7, Chatham, Ont.

Births

DEVRIES: With joy and thanks to God we wish to announce the safe arrival of our baby girl, CHERYL ANN, born on May 23, 1977. A little sister for Monica & Michael. Another granddaughter for Mr. & Mrs. R. DeVries and Mrs. A. Van Boven. Happy parents: Henry & Alice De Vries, R.R. 4, St. Thomas, Ont.

GALLANT: With thanks to God the Giver of life, we wish to announce the birth of our daughter LEANNE MARIE, born May 25, 1977. A sister for Richard and Lisa. Proud parents are Leo and Diane Gallant. Sixth grandchild for Mr. & Mrs. C. Vander Ploeg, Brampton, Ont. and third grandchild for Mr. Israel Gallant, Moncton, N.B. and eighth great grandchild for Mrs. A. Vander Ploeg of Kemble, Ont.

KRAMER: There is great joy in our home. The Lord has given us a daughter JANINE ANNETTE, born May 27, 1977. Rejoice with us! Bob & Riekie Kramer. A sister for Paul. Seventh grandchild for Mrs. B. Kramer and fifty-fourth grandchild for Mr. & Mrs. A. Mulder, all of Hamilton. 62 Dale Ave., Scarborough, Ont. M1J 3J5.

VANDERKOOY: John & Marlene (nee Smith) thank God for the safe arrival of their first child, a son, TODD LESLIE, 7 lbs. 3 oz., on April 30, 1977. Third grandchild for Mr. & Mrs. Leslie Smith, Calstar Centre and ninth for Mr. & Mrs. Harry VanderKoooy of Cayuga.

VANDERVELDE: Jake & Hazel Vandervelde announce with joy and thankfulness to God the gift of their third son JONATHAN REGINALD, born on May 26, 1977. A little brother for Michael and David. R.R.#1 Stirling, Ont.

Marriages

BELBECK-BOONSTRA: Mr. & Mrs. D. Belbeck of Millgrove and Mr. & Mrs. J. Boonstra of Burlington are pleased to announce the forthcoming marriage of their children DEBBIE and HENRY. The wedding ceremony will take place D.V. on June 25, 1977 at 3.30 p.m. in the St. James United Church, 58 Parkside Dr., Waterdown. Rev. J. Porter officiating.

DE VRIES-PYPERS: Mr. & Mrs. Peter De Vries of Lacombe, Alta., are pleased to announce the forthcoming marriage of their daughter ANNA to ROBERT PYPERS, son of Mr. & Mrs. Dick Pypers of Kitchener, Ont. The wedding ceremony will take place, the Lord willing, on Friday, July 8, 1977 at 6:30 p.m. in the First Chr. Ref. Church of Edmonton, Alta. Future address: 34 Moreland Cres., Sherwood Park, Alta.

DYCK-SIKKENS: Mr. & Mrs. Abe Dyck of Campden, Ont. and Mr. & Mrs. Hilbrand Sikkens of Cornwall, Ont. are happy to announce that their children IRENE and HENRY will be united in marriage on Saturday, June 25, 1977 at 3:30 p.m. in the Vineland Mennonite Brethren Church, Vineland, Ont. Rev. I Block officiating. Future address: Five Gables, Quarry Road, Beamsville, Ont. L0R 1B0.

VANVELLER-STELPSTRA: Mr. & Mrs. K. Vanveller and Mr. & Mrs. A. Stelpstra are happy to announce the forthcoming marriage of their children ALICE & JACK. The wedding ceremony will take place D.V. on June 25, 1977 at 4:00 p.m. in the Second Chr. Ref. Church of Sarnia, Ont. Rev. J.J. Hoytema officiating. Future address: 945 Huron St. Apt. 602, London, Ont.

Anniversaries

On Thursday June 23, 1977 the Lord willing we hope to celebrate with our parents, grandparents and great grandparents

A.J. HAAGSMA & R. HAAGSMA
nee Pasma

the occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary. We are thankful to our Lord that He has blessed them for so many years and we pray that He will continue to bless them.

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30 grandchildren & 1 great grandchild.

R.R. 1, Salford, Ontario.

1932 July 4 1977
Lord, Thou hast been our dwelling place in all generations. Ps. 90:1

LOUW SYTSMA
and
GERRITJE SYTSMA nee Verheul

From this experience we gratefully acknowledge our parents' 45th wedding anniversary.

Manchester, Ont.—Jelle & Jetty Sytsma: Cathy, Louis, Andy
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Home address: R.R.#4, Port Perry, Ont. L0B1N0

Anniversaries

1952 1977
Praise the Lord
With His blessing we plan to celebrate on July 13, 1977 the 25th wedding anniversary of our parents
JOHN and EVA STAD
nee Andringa

God has been faithful and we praise Him!

"As Thou goest, thy way shall be opened up step by step before thee." Prov. 4:12(Hebr. version)
Joyce, Theo, Herman, Clarence, Henry and Frederick Stad
Open house on Thursday, July 14, 1977 at 609 Ralph St., Victoria, B.C.

Edmonton Dresden
1952 1977

With gratitude to our Heavenly Father for His abiding grace during our 25 years of marriage

EVERETT and KAY HOOYER
nee Dieleman

plan to celebrate their anniversary on June 24, with their children
London — Marilyn & Andrew Oudman
Dresden — Betty, Wayne, Edward, Glen

Open house at the United Church hall in Dresden from 8-10 p.m. Best wishes only.

R.R.#6, Dresden, Ont., N0P 1M0

If Thy presence will not go with them, do not carry them up from here. Exodus 33:15

On June 15, the Lord willing, we hope to celebrate with our parents

HENDRIK KOOPMANS

and

MINKE KOOPMANS-Jager

their 55th wedding anniversary. We thank God for what He has given us in our parents and it is our prayer that He may continue to bless them and keep them in His care.

Drachten, (Fr.)—Froukje & Lieuwe Holwerda

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42 grandchildren and 11 great grandchildren

Busstraat 32, Ylst (Fr.) The Netherlands.

Rotterdam Hamilton
1942 1977

With joy and gratitude to God we hope to celebrate with our parents and grandparents

PETER & AUDREY IPEMA
nee Schippers

their 35th wedding anniversary on June 17, 1977.

Their grateful children and grandchildren

Brantford—John & Wilma Sweers;

Jeanette, Yvonne, Edward

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Wagter; Brian, Audrey, Douglas,

Michael, Christina

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Gerryts; Richard, Carol, Beverly,

Debbie

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Take heed lest you forget the Lord your God... Deut. 8:11a

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Anniversaries

1952 1977
Orangeville, Ont. Houston, B.C.
We thank God for protecting and richly blessing our parents
BILL and MARIE STAD
nee Klooster

during their 25 years of marriage. The Lord's continued blessing has been assured, and we praise God for His love and faithfulness. We hope to celebrate this joyful occasion, the Lord willing, on June 14, with a reception in the Houston Christian Reformed Church at 8:00 p.m.

Their children:
Jeanette, Alida, Tena, Theo, Lucy, Charles
Home address: Box 82, Houston, B.C. V0J 1Z0.

1952 1977
With joy, on Saturday July 9, 1977, the Lord willing, we hope to celebrate the 25th wedding anniversary of our parents

ABRAHAM SMIT

and

EGBERDINA SMIT
nee Timmermans

Psalm 92.

Their thankful children,
Edmonton, Alta.—John

Hagersville, R.R.5 — Walter & Lorraine Smit

Toronto, Ont.—Jane

At home—Agnes, Margaret, Diane, Abe, Joanne & Julie.

Dear grandparents of David.

Open house will be held at the Fellowship Hall of the Chr. Ref. Church, Jarvis, at 8 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.

R.R.#5, Hagersville, Ont.

1952 1977
Dedemsvaart Nova Scotia

On June 17, 1977, the Lord willing, we hope to celebrate the 25th wedding anniversary of our parents

PIETER & STYNTJE MEIJER
nee Vander Graaf

We thank the Lord for both of you and pray that He will bless you in future years to come.

Your children:

Gary, Bernice, Ena, Hank, Clarence, Wilma and Henry

All from Centreville, N.S.

Benschop Grimsby
1932 1977

On June 23, 1977 the Lord willing, we hope to celebrate with our dear parents and grandparents

GERRIT EIKELENBOOM

and

CORNELIA EIKELENBOOM
nee Van Ieperen

the occasion of their forty fifth wedding anniversary. We praise the Lord for His steadfast love and faithfulness in the years past and we pray that He will continue to bless and keep Mom and Dad in His care, as they face the years ahead for them.

Their thankful children and grandchildren

Beamsville — Gerald & Diana:

Ron, Sandra, Andrew, Carolyn

Bill & Jenny: Rick, Debbie, Nancy

Grimsby — Mary & Martin: Chris, Gary, Charlene

Home address: Ridge Rd. W. R.R.#1, Grimsby L3N 4E7, Ont.

"Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow!"

On June 11, 1977 we hope to celebrate with our parents and grandparents

FRANK and AUDREY KONING

their 30th wedding anniversary.

Congratulations Mom and Dad. May you have many more happy and blessed years together.

Love from,

Calgary, Alta.—John & Helen

Abbotsford, B.C.—Jack & Sieglinde: Heidi

At home — Ed

Edmonton, Alta.

Anniversaries

Wolvega Hamilton
1927 1977
With joy and gratitude we hope to celebrate the Lord willing on June 10, 1977 the 50th wedding anniversary of our parents and grandparents

OTTO and ANNE WYNIA
nee Stroop

It is our hope and prayer that the Lord may continue to bless and guide them.

Hamilton — Klaas & Anneke

Wynia: Grace & Pete, Margaret, Oscar, Sylvia, Annette

Ancaster — Ann & John Lodewyks: Jack, Ron, Brian, David

Hamilton — Theo & Trudy: Richard, Michael, Patricia

Home address: 68 Hillcrest Ave., Hamilton, Ont.

Obituaries

The Lord has taken home His child, our brother and uncle

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Horst

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Drayton—Aly & Bert van Gijssel

Drayton, May 28, 1977.

On Saturday May 21, 1977, the Lord in His wisdom and mercy, took from us, unto Himself one of our beloved members

MRS. GEESINA DRENT

in her 78th year.

My soul thirsts for God, for the living God. Ps. 42:2

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The consistory and congregation of the Chr. Ref. Church at Pembroke, Ontario.

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NEWMARKET: Holland Marsh, Springdale Christian School requires a teacher for grade 3-4 for September 1977. Please send applications to Mr. Jake Van Breda, principal, Holland Marsh Chr. School, R.R.#2, Newmarket, L3Y 4V9. Tel. 416-775-3701 (school) or 705-737-0957 (home).

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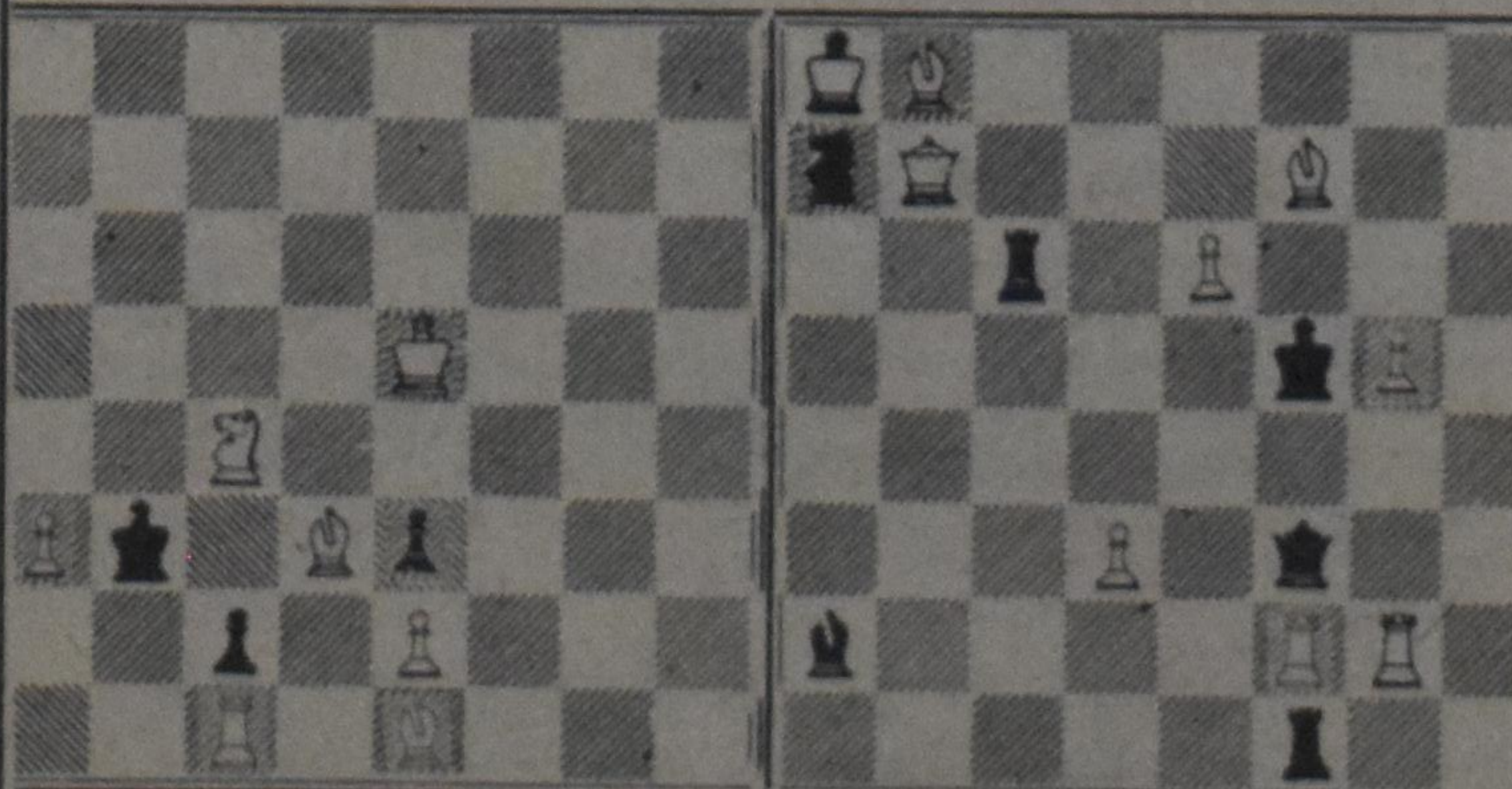
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1. Every place has an important part to play in these problems! Both authors managed to show their themes in an economical and uncluttered manner, which makes solving a rewarding experience.
2. Please give the key, threat and all variations to #705 and the key and threat, if any, to #706.
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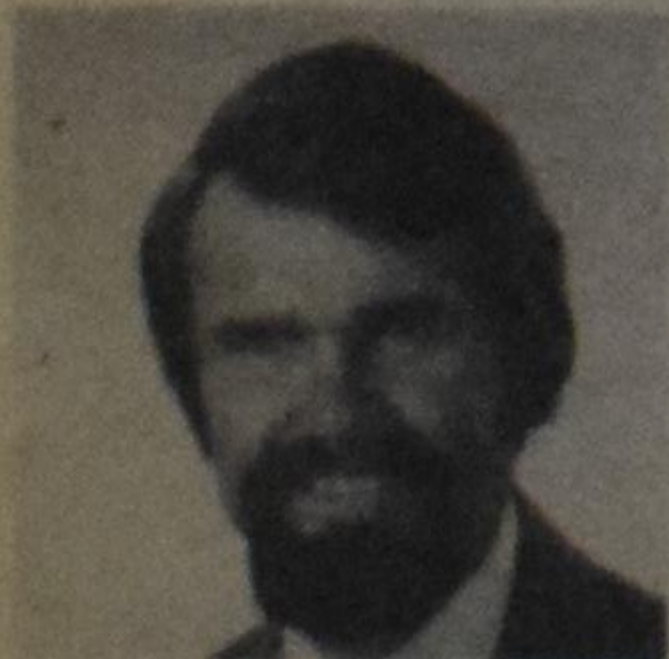
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Things We've Read

Has the ecumenical movement a future? by Willem Visser 't Hooft, John Knox Press, Richmond, Va. 97 pp. \$5.50.

REVIEWED BY Dr. Paul Schrottenboer of Reformed Ecumenical Synod.

Is the ecumenical movement suffering from institutional paralysis. Has the ecumenical witness in the religious world lost its message? Should the world set the agenda of the church?

The answers to these timely questions are discussed in a recently published book, *Has the Ecumenical Movement a Future?* by Willem Visser 't Hooft, Secretary of the World Council of Churches.

Before seeking to answer these questions, he briefly sketches the ecumenical history from 1910 to the present. The author writes as an insider and shows how every position taken in the years before 1960 came in the last decade and a half to be the subject of queries (28).

No, the movement is not suffering from institutional paralysis and, moreover, anarchism, the opposite of institutionalism, is the greater of the two evils. The institution must always be put in the service of the movement, not pose as a master.

No, the ecumenical witness has not lost its message, but "it is high time that the ecumenical movement issued a rallying cry to the churches in order to strengthen them for the great spiritual struggle about the final meaning of life, a struggle of world dimensions and which therefore must be fought by the churches together. With one accord we must proclaim to the world which is searching for life, that it cannot manage without the God to whom we can say: 'With Thee is the fountain of life' (Ps. 36:9)."

Should the world set the church's agenda? That depends. "The word of the contemporary Christ consists of both Gospel and commandment... Christ is the Lord of the whole world... We must hear the concrete word which Christ gives to us in our actual situation... There must be co-operation between men of good will of every kind who came together on the basis of this concern for justice and peace... The ecumenical movement can only have a future if it avoids the temptation of choosing between the unity of the Church and the unity of mankind..." (96,97).

Visser 't Hooft himself has been an advocate of the 'biblical theology' that stressed the unity of the Bible in Jesus Christ, and at one time was very influential in the World

Concil. One would not surmise, from reading this book, that the WCC has departed from this theology in favor of holding to a theological pluralism in the Bible. This pluralism now legitimates a theological pluralism in the churches.

To many this book of the now honorary president of the World Council will be reassuring. To many others, including the reviewer, the book accentuates the need for more discussion on the role of the Scriptures in the ecumenical movement and in the social teachings of the church. As Visser 't Hooft says, all positions formerly taken have become subject to deep questionings. In this ferment those who think they see the way should speak.

I Believe in the Great Commission, by Max Warren. Wm. B. Eerdmans Publishing Company, Grand Rapids, 1976. 190 pp.

Reviewed by Rev. John Bolt

A quick survey of almost any Christian bookstore will be enough to indicate that the Church and its mission, Church growth, evangelism and similar topics are "in" today. Along with books on the Second Coming there seems to be no end to the

North American Evangelical community's appetite for books on how to turn oneself and one's Church into models of evangelistic success.

This volume is refreshingly different. Those who like quick, easy (and often cheap!) answers to questions about the Church and its mission will possibly be disappointed in this book. The author spells out no such formula for success. On the contrary, the author, after tracing the Christian Church, makes it clear that the matter of missions is far too complex to be reduced to neat formulas for success. Instead he pleads for what he calls an "incarnational" understanding of the task of mission.

Reformed Christians and Reformed Churches would benefit from a careful study of the implications of such an incarnational understanding of missions. Basically it means that the gospel of salvation must "become flesh" in our world. Christians cannot be satisfied with the salvation of men's souls while allowing them to remain in bondage to the gods of the age in their daily lives.

The gospel is "for the whole man; for the whole of mankind; and is addressed to the whole natural order" (p. 171). The author is correct in noting that Christians must live the great commission and that this

means a close, understanding, and loving identification with those whom he attempts to reach.

This is a stimulating book and a needed corrective to some of the simplistic and reductionist approaches that are current in much evangelism today. The author makes us think very carefully about the way that we must bring the gospel to our age. However, I believe that his presentation would have been more effective if he had spent some time reflecting on the New Testament teaching of the Kingdom of God. Admittedly this perspective is implicit throughout the book but not explicitly mentioned. (Here I would recommend for all the readers of Calvinist Contact a thorough study of the joint Christian Reformed Church and Reformed Church Evangelism Manifesto which can be found in the Christian Reformed Church Agenda of Synod, 1977, pp. 434-439.) This would have helped the author to clear up some things that are unclear about what he calls "religious pluralism" and an anonymous Christianity or "Jesus incognito" (pp. 151 ff.).

This last reservation notwithstanding, this book can, I believe, be profitably used to enrich our understanding of the mission of the church and I heartily recommend it

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